

Town of Groton, Connecticut Meeting Agenda

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RTM Public Works Committee

Chairman Conrad Heede, Representatives Dolores Harrell, Matthew Longino, Jim Loughlin, Jackie
Massett, Bruce McDermott and Roscoe Merritt

Wednesday, December 10, 2014

6:30 PM

Groton Senior Center

Special Meeting

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- 4. NEW BUSINESS

2014-0327 Noank School Demolition

NOANK SCHOOL DEMOLITION

Legislative History

11/19/2014 Mayor Referred Town Council Committee of the W

11/24/2014 Town Council Committee of Discussed

the Whole

Gary Schneider, Director of Public Works, explained that there were many bidders for the Noank School demolition project, but the bids were higher than what was budgeted. The project consists of installation of reconstruction fencing, asbestos abatement, removal of trees and brush, removal of concrete and parking near the building, removal of the underground fuel tank, and backfill of the site. The contractor will have three months to complete the project. Salvageable items will be separated and materials will be disposed of at appropriate sites. The Town Council and RTM approved \$480,000 in FYE 2015. Mr. Schneider described how the demolition cost estimate was originally determined. The current low bidder came in at \$539,000. If the Council approves a supplemental appropriation, Mr. Schneider will seek a formal extension of the bid. If the supplemental appropriation is not approved, the project will be put in the FYE 2016 CIP for Town Council and RTM consideration.

Discussion followed on the difficulties involved in salvaging a portion of the building and the fact that it would cost more than demolition. It was also noted that the cost of asbestos abatement will likely escalate.

11/24/2014 Town Council Committee of Recommended for a the Whole Resolution

A motion to amend the motion to appropriate \$60,000 instead of \$125,000 was made by Councilor Cerf. There was no second.

 ${\it Mr. Schneider explained the need for the extra funding for contingency and abatement monitoring.}$

Councilor Watson suggested that Councilors attend the RTM meeting to support the supplemental appropriation.

Councilor Cerf voiced her objection to the motion because she feels that the Town should appropriate a lesser amount for the project.

12/2/2014 Town Council Deleted from Referral List -

Action to be taken

12/2/2014 Town Council Adopted and referred under Representative Town Meeting

Rule 6.5.3

5. Consideration of Committee Referral Items as per Referral List

6. ADJOURNMENT

For the committee to meet, we need a quorum. Please let the clerk's office (441-6644) know ASAP if you will not be able to attend this meeting.